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Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to 7 FAM 530.

In section 532, the text has been revised to reflect closure of former claims-taking operations at posts. Section 534.3 was substantially rewritten. Section 536.8-3, Fees Charged by Attorneys/Agents was revised to include information about fee agreements for paying representatives. Section 537.1-1 was updated with more information about direct deposit options.

Minor changes to language and references were made throughout.

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